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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Second Amendment After Final for filing in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been [X]established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	27	MINUS	*	48	0		
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM							

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- not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY						
R	ATE	ADDIT. FEE				
x	\$ 25	\$				
х	\$100	\$				
+	\$180	\$				

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

OR

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x	\$50	\$
х	\$200	\$
+	\$360	\$

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Petition for Extension of Time

[X]	Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the Final Office Action dated October 12, 2004 for one month from January 12, 2005 to February 12, 2005. The appropriate fee of \$60.00 is included in the enclosed check.					
[]	A [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated [] was filed on [] with payment of a \$[] fee					
	[] Applicant hereby petitions for an additional [] month e time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts. The a of \$[] is included in the enclosed check.					
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[]	Petition for [] month Extension of Time	\$				
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[X]	Petition for one month Extension of Time	\$60				
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A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 [X] for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

This Second Amendment After Final Rejection is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 12, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested. An extension of time for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Final Office Action dated October 12, 2004, is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this amendment. A Notice of Appeal has not yet been submitted. A Notice of Appeal is due on February 12, 2005 with a one-month extension of time.

Please amend the application as follows:

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